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## ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE WASHINGTON

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Honorable William Casey Director Central Intelligence Agency Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Bill:

When we talked about <u>not</u> referring to Andropov as "President Andropov," you agreed we should avoid this error. Unfortunately, it has cropped up again in the NID of June 24, where your item on page two refers to him as "the President."

Please tell your guys to stop this nonsense. He is not President of anything; he is Chairman of the Presidium and General Secretary of the Party, and this mistranslation to give him the same stature as President Reagan ought to cease.

Sincerely,

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